



Dr. Walter Young and John Bremer listen as Dr. Greene (below) speaks for the UVic Faculty Association Executive.

BREMER HEARS BRIEFS

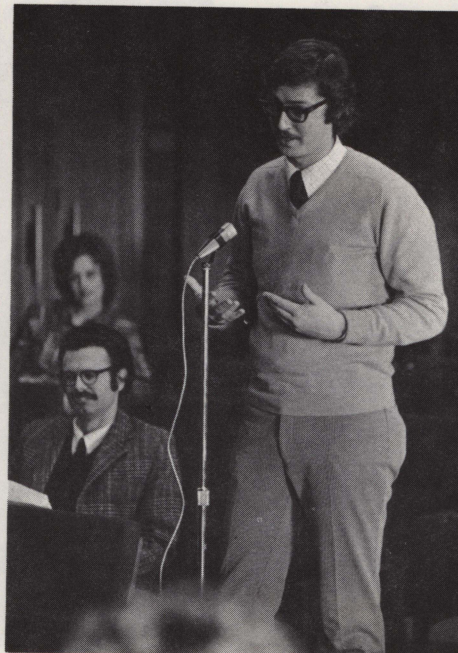
At the date of writing, the futures of Mr. Bremer and the committee are unclear.

The first public hearing before the Provincial Government Committee on University Governance under John Bremer was held in the Commons Building Friday, January 11.

Two briefs relating to the Committee's Working Paper on University Governance were heard during the 2½ hour session.

The briefs, from the executive of the UVic Faculty Association and the Inter-University Committee on Continuing Education, were heard by Mr. Bremer and four of the five members of the Committee.

Committee members present were John Bremer, UVic's Dr. Walter Young (Political



Science), William Armstrong, Eileen Herridge and Kenji Okuda.

Presenting the brief from the Executive of the UVic Faculty Association's Ad Hoc Committee on the Universities Act was Dr. J.A. Burke (Physics), Committee Chairman. Other committee members are Dr. George Corwin (Music), Dr. John Greene (French), Dr. I.D. Pal (Economics), and Dr. Roy Watson (Anthropology).

The UVFA brief expressed the desire for an "essentially passive" role for the Board of Governors, with regard to matters submitted to it by the Senate and President.

It recommended, however, the addition of faculty and student members to the Board.

To the suggestion by Bill Armstrong that such additions would not diminish the power of the Board, but would take away power from the Senate, Dr. Burke replied the intention of the move was mainly to improve channels of communication.

Dr. Greene pointed out the UVFA committee had agreed on the undesirability of enhancing the role of the Board. He said faculty and student representatives on the Board would come from the Senate thereby providing the Senate with "a presence on the Board". He said the effect of such a move would be hard to predict, but that he felt in fact the move would be enhancing the role of the Senate.

The Brief agreed with the Working Paper on many of its recommendations regarding the Senate, notably that faculty dominance prevail, and student representation not be greatly increased. The committee suggested the only ex officio member of the Senate should be the President.

In its recommendation regarding the Universities Council of B.C., the UVFA committee warned against allowing self-aggrandizement of the council to occur. Dr. Burke said he felt Council's involvement in specific course content or established programmes would be "very dangerous".

Members of the Bremer committee questioned the faculty representative fol-

lowing the presentation of the brief.

The second brief of the morning, introduced by Dr. Laurence Devlin (Continuing Education) was prepared by the Inter-University Committee on Continuing Education.

The brief expressed concern that Continuing Education had not been given satisfactory priority in the Universities Act in the past and said, "prospects do not look encouraging".

"We have no confidence, therefore, the Continuing Education will be accorded needed priority unless there is clear provision in the Act and firm support from (the Bremer) Committee."

Following the presentation of the brief, John Bremer opened discussion on the possibility of a "fourth university" which would provide a separate governance for Continuing Education divisions thereby separating them from the existing universities.

Comments from the Inter-Universities Committee indicated this is not a desirable alternative at present.

BOOKLISTING

The continuing saga of the UVic centennial project is at the midway point of its third and final chapter.

Book Three of a B.C. Bibliography is being compiled by John Lort of UVic's Social Science Research Centre.

Mr. Lort was assigned as bibliographer in 1971 by Social Science Research Centre chairman, Dr. Reginald Roy. The project is due for completion by June 1975.

Financed jointly by UVic and the Canada Council, the books are the first of their kind compiled in the province.

First in the series, published in 1967, was *Laying the Foundations*, by Barbara Lowther, which covered the years from 1849 to 1899. The second volume published in 1970 reached still further back. Entitled *Navigation, Traffiques and Discoveries* and compiled by Gloria Strathern, this book listed publications about the province from the years 1774 to 1848.

One thousand copies of each volume were produced. Many were bought by universities in North America, Europe and Australia at \$18.50 a copy.

Volume One contained more than 2,000 items and John Lort is expecting Volume Three to hold more than 5,000.

Mr. Lort's N Hut office is beginning to resemble an archive itself.

Assisted by secretary Joan Montgomery and a full time assistant bibliographer, Wendy Carmichael, he has already waded into 300,000 books and pamphlets referring some way to B.C. and produced during the first half of this century.

The third volume will be quite different from its forerunner, Mr. Lort predicted.

"In the earliest volume most of the material is on the rare book side, whereas at the beginning of the 20th century there were a number of little organizations and political parties putting out pamphlets and little societies writing histories of themselves.

"For a true reflection of the last 50 years, all these must be dug out, not just from libraries but also from private collections."

Most of the material, Mr. Lort said, can be found in B.C., but he is also scouring libraries in Alberta and Washington. The University of Washington's Northwest Collection contains 400 items not in B.C. libraries, he said.

Mr. Lort's major sources in this province are the B.C. Archives and the B.C. Provincial Library. But other valuable sources have been the Vancouver City Archives, the B.C. College of Physicians and Surgeons, B.C. Hydro, B.C. Tel and the Anglican Theological College which has supplied between two and three hundred volumes.

"The third volume has attracted more interest throughout the province mainly because we've contacted so many organizations," Mr. Lort said.

Bibliographer for Volume Three, John Lort.



Volume One of the Bibliography of B.C.

"The first volumes were along academic lines, but ours will include such things as the history of beekeeping in the province and the histories of, for example, the Peace River Garden Club and cattle raising in the Fraser Valley."

The bibliography will also chronicle the development of women's organizations in B.C., containing such early tracts as "Behind the Scenes With the Women's Christian Temperance Union" and "The Real Homekeeper; A Perpetual Honeymoon for the Vancouver Bride."

Despite the almost overwhelming number of publications, Mr. Lort is disappointed by the amount of material already destroyed or lost.

"One law firm recently destroyed a lot of old records," he lamented, "including the will of Pauline Johnson."

COMET OF THE WEAK

As Comet Kohoutek fades in the western sky, so do hopes of photographing it through UVic's 10 inch telescope on the roof of the Elliott Building.

Attempts made by students this week — as much for aesthetic as for scientific purposes — have been foiled by the comet's low altitude, said Dr. Colin Scarfe (Physics). The attempts will continue, however, as the comet moves away from the sun, becoming higher in the sky and fainter.

"As comets go, it's quite substantial," Dr. Scarfe said, "but it doesn't live up to its billing as Comet of the Century. Comet of the Year, maybe."

Dr. Scarfe said the comet is not now visible to the naked eye. He has observed it through binoculars and the 12 inch university telescope, however, and describes it as "a fairly large, fuzzy, circular object with practically no tail."

A closer scrutiny may be conducted by Dr. Jeremy Tatum (Physics) using filters on the telescope which show the strength of molecular emissions from Kohoutek. By this method physicists could attempt to measure the amount of material contained in the comet.

Dr. Tatum has spent recent weeks observing the Comet Kohoutek at the Cerro Tololo Inter American Observatory in Chile under a National Research Council grant.

Little is known about either the origin or properties of comets, Dr. Scarfe said.

"Though the total amount of material contained in a comet may measure billions of tons", Dr. Scarfe said, "this is very small compared to the earth. However, comets greatly exceed the earth in volume."

Comets are known to move on either elliptical or parabolic orbits around the sun, Dr. Scarfe said. Those on elliptical orbits make regular appearances in the earth's sky but in many cases only at long intervals.

"About a thousand comets have been seen through history," Dr. Scarfe said. "Of those, about one fifth have been predicted to re-appear." About fifty comets have been seen on more than one return to the sun.

Like most comets, Kohoutek is named for its discoverer, the Czech scientist, Lubos Kohoutek, who first saw the comet while working in Hamburg. While photographing asteroids, Kohoutek discovered two comets in one week; one became the

present Comet Kohoutek, the other has already receded from the sun.

Despite the fanfare preceding Comet Kohoutek's arrival, Dr. Scarfe said, "Comet of the Past Decade" honors probably belong to Comet Bennett which appeared in 1970.

But, he added, despite Kohoutek's somewhat lacklustre performance the comet is not conducting itself unconventionally.

"Kohoutek is behaving according to the rules, but the rules applying to comets are rather flexible.

"Brightness varies a great deal. The predictions when the comet was first discovered back in March were that it would be anywhere from barely visible to the naked eye to nearly as bright as the moon.

"The amount of brightening done by Kohoutek is at the extreme minimum of the normal range."

But Dr. Scarfe pointed out at least one happy side effect of the comet's discovery and subsequent naming.

In Lubos Kohoutek's native Czechoslovakia, from which he emigrated for political reasons, scientists had been instructed by the current government to ignore Kohoutek's papers and avoid mentioning his name.

Comet Kohoutek has made this rather difficult.

CIPS MEETING

Humanizing information systems was the subject of the second of two meetings of the Canadian Information Processing Society held at UVic Wednesday, Jan. 9.

Speaker at the evening meeting, which was preceded by dinner at the Faculty Club, was Dr. Theodor Sterling, director of the Computing Science Program at Simon Fraser University. Dr. Sterling is also Chairman of a special interest committee of the Vancouver Chapter of CIPS on Humanizing Information Systems and author of numerous books and articles on computing science.

The discussion dwelt on the basic features that may "humanize" or "de-humanize" the subjects, users or the designers of information systems.

Under discussion were criteria for humanized systems developed by a group of humanists, intellectuals and computer professionals under the auspices of the Canada Council late this summer.

Earlier the same day the CIPS special

interest group in Data Communications met to hear Peggy Sharp of IBM Vancouver speak on the Development of Data Communications Control Programs.

The talk dealt with the development cycle of complex data communications software products. Ms. Sharp discussed the technical and managerial challenges faced by product development groups.

WINNING WAYS

Join UVic and see the world: it could well become a slogan among the campus secretarial staff.

For the second consecutive year, a UVic secretary has won the annual trip awarded by CP Air to secretaries confirming reservations for their employer.

Gail Jonat, secretary in Art History who has worked on campus for three years, was notified last week she had won a two-week trip to Hawaii for herself and her husband.



"CP Air will pay for the hotel and a rented car and we will pay for our food," Mrs. Jonat said.

The Jonats have resisted the temptation to take the holiday immediately.

"We've decided to go in October," Mrs. Jonat said. "My husband is writing his Chartered Accountancy finals in September after three years of articling. He'll be ready for a vacation by then."

Mrs. Jonat, who did not attend the airline's annual cocktail party for secretaries at the Empress Hotel last week, had to call a local radio station to find out if the

good news relayed to her by a friend was true. A CP Air representative visited the campus to fill in the details two days later.

"I was specially surprised as I had only put in one confirmation," Mrs. Jonat said.

Also surprised was Mrs. Jonat's friend Bonnie Tripp (Personnel), who won the two week vacation last year.

Faculty News

BIOLOGY

Dr. G.O. Mackie, Chairman, Department of Biology presented a seminar at Simon Fraser University on Thursday, January 10, 1974 entitled "About Siphonophores."

CLASSICS

Mr. H. MacL. Currie, Senior Lecturer in Classics, Queen Mary College, University of London, is Visiting Professor in the Department of Classics for the Spring term. His book, "The Individual and the State" (The Ancient World: Source Books) has just been published by Dent and Hakkert.

ECONOMICS AND ENGLISH

Dr. Leonard Laudadio (Economics) and Dr. Sam Macey (English) were recently elected by members of the Pension Plan for faculty and Administrative/Professional Staff to serve as Trustees for two-year terms beginning January 1, 1974.

VISUAL ARTS

Professor John Ivor Smith, sculptor from

Sir George Williams University will be visiting the Department during the week of January 21-25. During this time he will be discussing, in particular, his interest in techniques for enlarging sculpture. Those interested in meeting Professor Smith are urged to get in touch with the Department.

Coming Events

FRIDAY, January 18

- 3:30 pm Meeting, Arts and Science. Elliott 167.
- 7:15 pm Cinemagic films. MacLaurin 144. "I'm No Angel" with Mae West. Faculty and Staff—\$1.00. General Public—\$1.25.
- 9:15 pm Ice Hockey. Esquimalt Arena. LBC vs UVic.

SATURDAY, January 19

- Cross country. Victoria. 4th League Race.
- 1:00 pm Rugby. Gordon Head. OBW vs Norsemen.
- 7:15 pm Cinemagic films. MacLaurin 144. "I'm No Angel" with Mae West. Faculty and Staff—\$1.00. General Public—\$1.25.

TUESDAY, January 22

- 4:30 pm Music. MacLaurin 144. George Zukerman, bassoonist, lecture recital. Canada's eminent bassoonist is also a remarkable raconteur and wit.
- 7:15 pm Cinemagic films. Elliott 168. "The Seventh Seal" with Ingmar Bergman.
- 7:30 pm Lectures, Department of Bacteriology and Biochemistry. Lansdowne 117. "Measles", Miss Anne Beduz, Second Year Student, Honours Bacteriology, Department of Bacteriology and Biochemistry, University of Victoria. "Cholera—the Disease and its Control", Mr. Ken McLeod, Second Year Student, Honours Biochemistry, Department of Bacteriology and Biochemistry, University of Victoria.
- 7:30 pm CUPE Workshop. Cornett 108.

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WEDNESDAY, January 23

- 7:00 pm Faculty and Staff Chess. Clearihue 128.
- 9:00 pm Ice Hockey. Juan de Fuca Arena. JBAA vs UVic.
- 9:40 pm Cinecenta films. MacLaurin 144. Eric Rohman's "Chloe in the Afternoon". Faculty and Staff—\$1.00. General Public—\$1.25.

FRIDAY, January 25

- 12:30 pm Music. MacLaurin 144. UVic Student Woodwind Quintet. Works by Reicha, Persichetti, and others.
- 3:30 pm Lecture, Department of Psychology. Cornett 170. Dr. Paul F. Zelhart, Director of Applied Psychology Unit, Associate Professor of Psychology, University of Alberta.
- 7:15 pm Cinemagic films. MacLaurin 144. "African Queen", with Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn.
- 8:15 pm Ice Hockey. Esquimalt Arena. UVic vs LBC.

SATURDAY, January 26

- 2:30 pm Rugby. Gordon Head. Ex-Britts vs Vikings.
- 2:45 pm Women's Field Hockey. UVic. UVic vs Evergreen.
- 7:00 pm Cinemagic films. MacLaurin 144. "The Last Picture Show", with Peter Bogdanovich.
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SUNDAY, January 27

- 2:15 pm Soccer. Centennial Stadium. UVic vs Oak Bay.

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